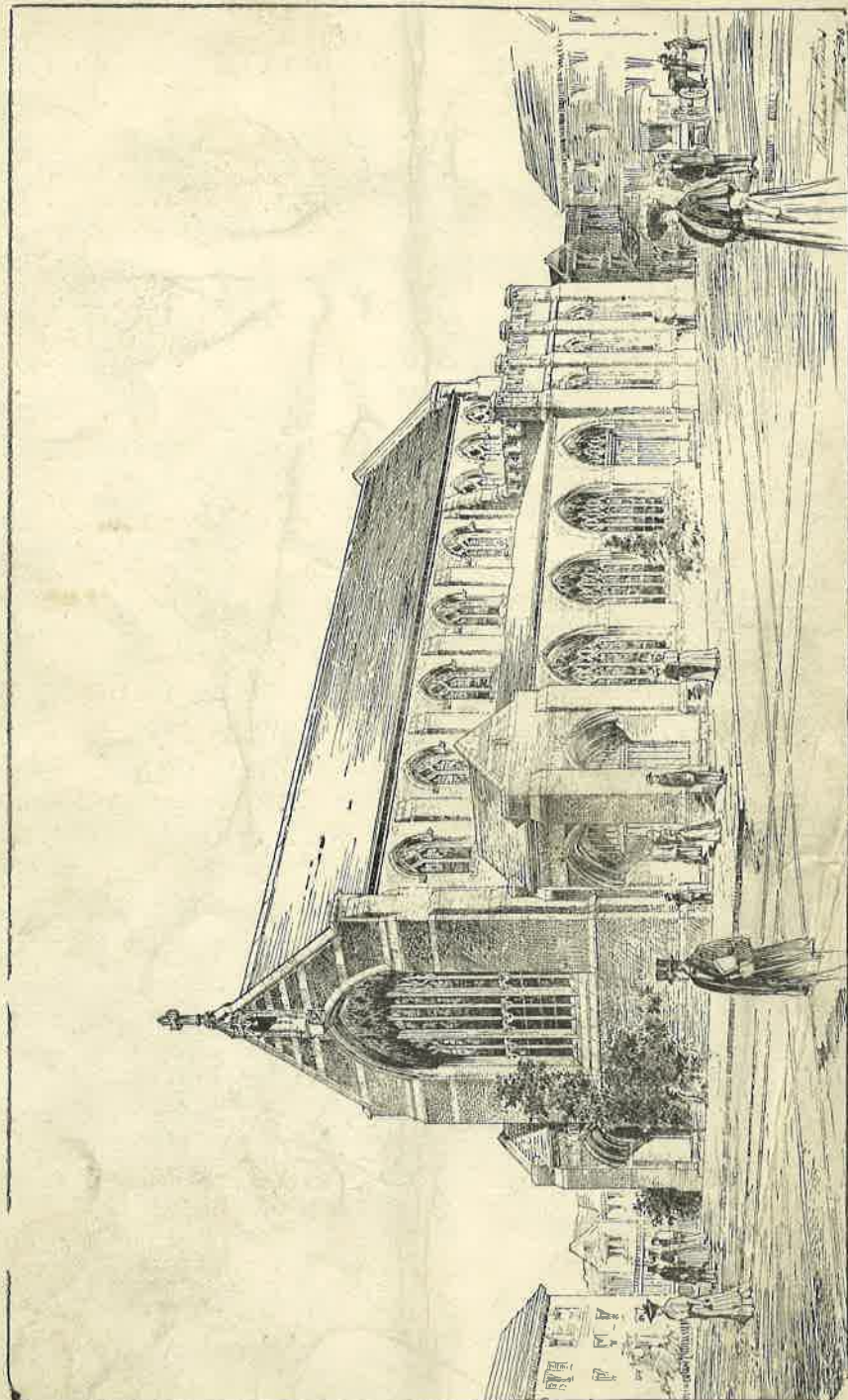




The Order for the
Consecration
of the

Memorial Church of St. Paul
Fifteenth and Porter Streets
Philadelphia



Friday, May 31st
1907

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 383.

1. Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall
rise to Thee:
Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and
mighty!
God in Three Persons, blessed Trin-
ity!
2. Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints
adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down
before Thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore
shalt be.
3. Holy, Holy, Holy! though the dark-
ness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy
glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none
beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and pur-
ity.
4. Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Al-
mighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy
Name, in earth, and sky, and sea:
Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and
mighty!
God in Three Persons, blessed Trin-
ity!

*The Bishop is to be received at the entrance of the Church by the Church-war-
dens and Vestrymen. The Bishop and the Clergy who are present shall then
go up the aisle of the church, repeating the Twenty-fourth Psalm alternately,
the Bishop one verse and the Clergy another.*

PSALM 24.—*Domini est terra.*

THE earth is the Lord's and all that therein is; the compass of the world, and
they that dwell therein.

2. For he had founded it upon the seas, and prepared it upon the floods.
3. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall rise up in his
holy place.
4. Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; and that hath not lift
up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbor.
5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the
God of his salvation.
6. This is the generation of them that seek him; even of them that seek thy
face, O Jacob.
7. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
8. Who is this King of glory? It is the Lord strong and mighty, even the
Lord mighty in battle.
9. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors:
and the King of glory shall come in.
10. Who is this King of glory? Even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of
glory.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without
end. Amen.

*The Bishop, sitting in his chair, the request for Consecration will be read by Mr.
George C. Thomas, and then standing up, and turning to the Congregation,
the Bishop shall say,*

DEARLY beloved in the Lord: forasmuch as devout and holy men, as well
under the Law as under the Gospel, moved either by the express command
of God, or by the secret inspiration of the blessed Spirit, and acting agree-
ably to their own reason and sense of the natural decency of things, have
erected houses for the public worship of God, and separated them from all
unhallowed, worldly and common uses, in order to fill men's minds with greater
reverence for his glorious Majesty, and affect their hearts with more devotion
and humility in his service; which pious works have been approved of and grac-
iously accepted by our heavenly Father: Let us not doubt but that he will also
favourably approve our godly purpose of setting apart this place in solemn man-
ner, for the performance of the several offices of religious worship, and let us
faithfully and devoutly beg his blessing on this our undertaking.

Then the Bishop, kneeling, shall say the following Prayer,

O ETERNAL God, mighty in power, and of majesty incomprehensible, whom
the heaven of heavens cannot contain, much less the walls of temples made
with hands; and who yet has been graciously pleased to promise thy espe-
cial presence wherever two or three of thy faithful servants shall assemble in thy
Name, to offer up their praises and supplications unto thee; Vouchsafe, O Lord
to be present with us, who are here gathered together with all humility and read-
iness of heart, to consecrate this place to the honour of thy great Name; separat-
ing it henceforth from all unhallowed, ordinary and common uses; and dedi-
cating it to thy service, for reading thy holy Word, for celebrating thy holy
Sacraments, for offering to thy glorious Majesty the sacrifices of prayer and
thanksgiving, for blessing thy people in thy Name, and for the performance of
all other holy offices: accept, O Lord, this service at our hands, and bless it with
such success as may tend most to thy glory, and the furtherance of our happi-
ness both temporal and spiritual; through Jesus Christ our blessed Lord and
Saviour. Amen.

*After this the Bishop shall stand up, and turning his face towards the Congrega-
tion, shall say,*

REGARD O Lord, the supplications of thy servants, and grant that whoso-
ever shall be dedicated to thee in this house by Baptism, may be sanctified
by the Holy Ghost, delivered from thy wrath and eternal death, and re-
ceived as a living member of Christ's Church, and may ever remain in the
number of thy faithful children. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that they who at this place shall in their own persons renew
the promises and vows of their Baptism, and be Confirmed by the Bishop, may
receive such a measure of thy Holy Spirit, that they may be enabled faithfully to
fulfil the same, and grow in grace unto their lives' end. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that whosoever shall receive in this place the blessed Sacra-
ment of the Body and Blood of Christ may come to that holy ordinance with
faith, charity, and true repentance; and being filled with thy grace and heavenly
benediction, may, to their great and endless comfort, obtain remission of their
sins, and all other benefits of his passion. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that by thy holy Word which shall be read and preached in
this place, and by thy Holy Spirit grafting it inwardly in the heart, the hearers
thereof may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and may have
power and strength to fulfil the same. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that whosoever shall be joined together in this place in the
holy estate of Matrimony, may faithfully perform and keep the vow and covenant
between them made, and may remain in perfect love together unto their lives'
end. Amen.

Grant, we beseech thee, blessed Lord, that whosoever shall draw near to thee in this place, to give thee thanks for the benefits which they have received at thy hands, to set forth thy most worthy praise, to confess their sins unto thee, and to ask such things as are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul, may do it with such steadiness of faith, and with such seriousness, affection and devotion of mind, that thou mayest accept their bounden duty and service, and vouchsafe to give whatever in thy infinite wisdom thou shalt see to be most expedient for them: All which we beg for Jesus Christ's sake, our most blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

Then, the Bishop sitting in his chair, the Sentence of Consecration is to be read by some person appointed by him, and laid by the Bishop upon the Holy Table; after which the Bishop shall say,

The sentence of Consecration will be read by the Rev. Herman L. Duhring, D. D.

BLESSED be thy name, O Lord, that it hath pleased thee to put it into the hearts of thy servants to appropriate and devote this house to thy honour and worship; and grant that all who shall enjoy the benefit of this pious work, may show forth their thankfulness, by making a right use of it, to the glory of thy blessed Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Morning Prayer will then be said,

PROPER PSALMS.

PSALM 84.—*Quam dilecta!*

O HOW amiable | are thy | dwellings: *thou* | Lord: — | of: — | hosts!
 2. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the *courts* | of the | Lord: my heart and my flesh *rejoice* | in the | living | God.
 3. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where *she* may | lay her | young: even thy altars O Lord of *hosts*, my | King: — | and my | God.
 4. Blessed are they that *dwell* | in thy | house: *they* will be | alway | praising | thee.
 5. Blessed is the man whose *strength* | is in | thee: *in* whose | heart: — | are thy | ways.
 6. Who going through the vale of misery *use* it | for a | well: *and* the | pools are | filled: with | water.
 7. They will *go* from | strength to | strength: and unto the God of gods *appeareth every* | one of | them in | Sion.
 8. O Lord God of *hosts* | hear my | prayer: *hearken* | O: — | God of | Jacob.
 9. Behold O *God* | our de | fender: and look upon the | face of | thine A | nointed.
 10. For one *day* | in thy | courts: *is* better | than a | thousand.
 11. I had rather be a door-keeper in the *house* | of my | God: than to dwell in the *tents* | of un | godli | ness.
 12. For the Lord God is a *light* | and de | fence: the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from *them* that | live a | godly | life.
 13. O *Lord* | God of | hosts: blessed is the *man* that | putteth his | trust in | thee.

Glory be to the *Father*, | and to the Son: *and* | to the | Holy | Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning, is *now*, and | ever | shall be: *world* without | end
 — | A: — | men.

PSALM 122. *Laetatus sum.*

I WAS glad when they *said* | unto | me: We will *go* into the | house: — | of the | Lord.
 2. Our feet shall *stand* | in thy | gates: O: — | Je | rusa | lem.
 3. Jerusalem is *built* | as a | city: that *is* at | unity | in it | self.
 4. For thither the tribes go up, even the *tribes* | of the | Lord: to testify unto Israel, to give *thanks* unto the | Name: — | of the | Lord.
 5. For *there* is the | seat of | judgment: even the *seat* | of the | house of | David.
 6. O pray for the *peace* of Je | rusa | lem: *they* shall | prosper: that | love — | thee.
 7. *Peace* be with | in thy | walls: and *plen* | teousness with | in thy | pala | ces.
 8. For my brethren *and* com | panions' | sakes: I will *wish* | thee pros | peri | ty.
 9. Yea because of the *house* of the | Lord our | God: I will | seek to | do thee | good.

PSALM 132.—*Memento Domine.*

LORD re | member | David: *and* | all: — | his: — | trouble;
 2. How he *swore* | unto the | Lord: and *vowed* a *vow* unto the A | mighty | God of | Jacob;
 3. I will not come within the *tabernacle* | of mine | house: *nor* | climb up | into my | bed;
 4. I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, *nor* mine | eye-lids: to | slumber: neither the temples of my *head* to | take: — | any | rest;
 5. Until I find out a place for the *temple* | of the | Lord: an habitation *for* the | mighty | God of | Jacob.
 6. Lo we heard of the *same* at | Ephra | ta: *and* | found it | in the | wood.
 7. We will *go* into his | taber | nacle: and fall *low* on our | knees be | fore his | footstool.
 8. Arise O Lord *into* thy | resting | place: *thou* and the | ark: — | of thy | strength.
 9. Let thy priests be *clothed* with | righteous | ness: and let thy *saints* | sing with | joyful | ness.
 10. For thy *servant* | David's | sake: turn not *away* the | presence: of | thine A | nointed.
 11. The Lord hath made a faithful *oath* | unto | David: *and* he | shall not | shrink from | it.
 12. Of the *fruit* | of thy | body: *shall* I | set up | on thy | seat.
 13. If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall | learn: — | them: their children also shall sit upon thy | seat for | ever | more.
 14. For the Lord hath chosen Sion to be a habitation | for him | self: *he* hath | longed | for: — | her.
 15. This shall be my | rest for ever: here will I dwell, *for* I | have a de | light there | in.
 16. I will *bless* her | victuals: with | increase: and will *satis* | fy her | poor with | bread.
 17. I will *deck* her | priests with | health: and her *saints* | shall re | joice and | sing.
 18. There shall I make the *horn* of | David: to | flourish: I have *ordained* a | lantern: for | mine A | nointed.
 19. As for his enemies, I shall *clothe* | them with | shame: but upon himself | shall his | crown: — | flourish.

First Lesson (Gen. xxviii, beginning with verse 10.)

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.....Farmer in D

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PSALM 100.—*Jubilate Deo.*

O BE ye joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

2. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

3. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

4. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

CREED, VERSICLES AND COLLECTS.

HYMN, 418.

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| 1. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast
And our eternal home: | 4. A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the
night
Before the rising sun. |
| 2. Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure. | 5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day. |
| 3. Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same. | 6. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guide while life shall
last,
And our eternal home. |

HOLY COMMUNION.

THE COLLECT.

O MOST glorious Lord, we acknowledge that we are not worthy to offer unto thee anything belonging unto us; yet we beseech thee, in thy great goodness, graciously to accept the Dedication of this place to thy service, and to prosper this our undertaking; receive the prayers and intercessions of all those thy servants who shall call upon thee in this house; and give them grace to prepare their hearts to serve thee with reverence and godly fear; affect them with an awful apprehension of thy Divine Majesty, and a deep sense of their own unworthiness; that so approaching thy sanctuary with lowliness, and devotion, and coming before thee with clean thoughts and pure hearts, with bodies undefiled, and minds sanctified, they may always perform a service acceptable to thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. II Cor. vi., 14.

BE ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? and what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? and what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

THE GOSPEL. St. John ii., 13.

AND the Jews' Passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting; and when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; and said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house a house of merchandise. And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up.

HYMN 483.

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| 1. Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and corner-stone,
Chosen of the Lord, and precious,
Binding all the Church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever,
And her confidence alone. | 3. To this temple, where we call Thee,
Come, O Lord of Hosts, to-day:
With Thy wonted loving-kindness,
Hear Thy servants as they pray;
And Thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls alway. |
| 2. All that dedicated city,
Dearly loved of God on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring
In glad hymns eternally. | 4. Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants
What they ask of Thee to gain,
What they gain from Thee, forever
With the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in Thy glory
Evermore with Thee to reign. |

The REV. NATHANIEL S. THOMAS, Rector of The Church of the Holy Apostles, Phila., will preach the Consecration Sermon.

OFFERING.

The Offering at this Service will be given to the Building Fund of St. Nathaniel's Mission, Phila.

COMMUNION HYMN, 225.

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| 1. Bread of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed,
By Whom the words of life were
spoken,
And in Whose death our sins are
dead; | 2. Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be Thy feast to us the token
That by Thy grace our souls are
fed. |
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RECESSIONAL HYMN, 491.

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| 1. The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation
By water and the word:
From heaven He came and sought
her
To be His holy Bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died. | 3. Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore oppress,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distrest;
Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Their cry goes up "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song. |
| 2. Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one Faith, one Birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued. | 4. 'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore:
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest. |